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This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 8 March 1955, two lieutenant colonels and four majors with black-bordered red epaulets, a lieutenant colonel with red-bordered black epaulets and two majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were observed at the former Jaeger Kaserne at Eisenstadt. The installation was guarded by a sentry who wore black-bordered red epaulets. Vehicular traffic at the kaserno included truck                      occupied by soldiers with black-bordered red and red-bordered black epaulets; and jeep                      driver school truck                      and trucks                      driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets. 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1
2. Truck                      and jeep                      driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets were parked in front of the former Landesregierung. Driver school vehicles, which usually were parked in front of the installation at noon, could not be observed. No driving practice was seen in the town between 0820 and 1400. Three majors with black-bordered red epaulets, a major with red-bordered black epaulets and another major with black-bordered black epaulets were observed between the former Landesregierung and the Jaeger Kaserne. 25X1
3. Four trucks,                      were parked in the area of the Kattner Settlement. Only about 20 soldiers were seen between the buildings of the installation. Two platoons of about 40 soldiers each, including a machine-gun squad with four heavy machine guns and another squad with 2 x 57-mm AT guns, practiced emplacing, displacing, and coupling and uncoupling of AT guns to and from trucks on the training ground 3 km east of the railroad station. 25X1

Comment. The report from Eisenstadt confirms previous observations. It is noteworthy that a rather large number of field officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia has still been observed. Most of the vehicle numbers are from Eisenstadt. 25X1

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